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Lebanon honours Mikhail Naimy

BEIRUT, May 15 (AP). — Arab writer-philosopher Mikhail Naimy received Lebanon's highest state decoration yesterday and made an emotional plea for an end to fighting that has shattered his country. Naimy, 89, received the Order of the Cedars from President Elias Sarkis in ceremonies marking the end of a week-long, nationwide Mikhail Naimy Literary Festival. Naimy urged the clashing Lebanese factions to "see the beauty of your land and try to modulate your life after that beauty." During the festival, sponsored by Premier Selim Al Hoss, Naimy's plays were staged at the Gulbenkian Theatre, the Beirut University College. Television gave nightly readings of short films based on his novels, as well as interviews with the author and his many admirers.

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Tough Israeli security for May 15
RAMALLAH, West Bank, May 15 (R). — Israeli authorities have stepped up security precautions on the occupied West Bank to prevent demonstrations on today's anniversary of the 30th year of Israel's existence, military sources said. They said several Arabs were arrested in the area. Israel celebrated its anniversary according to the Jewish calendar on May 11, but the day is observed by Arabs on May 15. On past anniversaries, West Bank towns were the scenes of violent clashes. Slogans painted on walls throughout the West Bank called on residents to "rise up against the Zionist enemy." Schools here and in Nablus, the largest town on the West Bank, were closed when students attempting to demonstrate were sent home.

Price: Jordan 50 fils; Syria 50 piastres; Lebanon 75 piastres; Saudi Arabia 1 riyal; UAE 1 dirham; Great Britain 25 pence.

Sadat will "crush" opposition by democratic means

CAIRO, May 15 (AP). — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, in a speech to the "crush" his opposition of the left and right, has announced that he would call a referendum to authorize government crackdown on journalists and politicians. A two-hour and 15-minute speech to the Egyptian Parliament yesterday, President Sadat accused the critics of instigating a "campaign of doubt" against his government's policies. "I will crush anyone who doubts me, but I will use democratic means," Premier Saad said.

Rumours of Tehran violence dissipate

TEHRAN, May 15 (R). — Fears of violence linked with anti-government disturbances emptied Tehran's streets yesterday, but by nightfall city resumed its normal life. The fears were provoked by rumours spread last night including possible stoning of cars. Information Minister Darioush Naymoun urged people not to believe the rumours. He said the situation was under control and repeated an earlier government warning that no further violence would be tolerated. At only one incident was reported when riot police, after dispersing a student demonstration at Tehran University, some students with batons gathered outside the school's house. Student sources said about 25 people were injured.

Indian government accepts report critical of Gandhi's emergency rule

NEW DELHI, May 15 (AP). — The Indian government today announced its acceptance of findings by a government commission of inquiry into the last 21 months of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's rule. The commission, headed by Chief Justice of India, Justice C. S. Shah, indicted Mrs. Gandhi for abuse of authority, several counts and found imposed a state of emergency in June, 1975, to be her own personal ends. In two reports tabled in parliament by Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, the commission accused Mrs. Gandhi of "arresting the arrest and detention of a number of respected citizens without authority of law, motivated solely by desire to remain in power." The government, in a separate statement, announced its intention to initiate appropriate legal and other action against people held guilty by the commission after careful examination of each individual case. Mrs. Gandhi's supporters, who fear that the government may arrest her, have already announced plans for country-wide agitation if this happens. Mrs. Gandhi is now the country's chief opposition figure. The decision-making body of Mrs. Gandhi's faction of the Congress Party today decided, at an emergency meeting, to launch a country-wide resistance movement in the event of her arrest, a party spokesman said. He declined to disclose what kind of action the party planned. Justice Shah's commission was appointed by the ruling Janata Party government to probe alleged excesses and corruption carried out under the emergency rule. A Communist member of parliament has already proposed a motion that would bar

Australia's ex-Premier Sir Robert Menzies dies

MELBOURNE, May 15 (R). — Sir Robert Menzies, Australia's most famous statesman who dominated politics as prime minister for 18 years, died today after several years of poor health. Sir Robert, who was 83, died in the study of his suburban Melbourne home. His death set off a wave of tributes to his 20-year leadership of Australia and involvement in international and Commonwealth affairs. Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser said in a statement that Sir Robert left a great and enduring mark on Australian history, and all Australians will mourn his passing. Britain's Queen Elizabeth, a personal friend of Sir Robert, was one of the first world leaders to send a message of condolence to his widow. Mr. Fraser said Sir Robert's period as prime minister from 1949 to 1966, when he retired from politics, was marked by stability and growth. Sir Robert was also prime minister from 1969 to 1971.

Sarkis reinstates Al Hoss' cabinet

BEIRUT, May 15 (Agencies). — President Elias Sarkis declared today that the resigned, eight-man cabinet of Premier Salim Al Hoss has been reinstated. Premier Al Hoss had resigned 26 days ago, when President Sarkis asked him to form a broad cabinet of politicians under the banner of "national détente". But Mr. Al Hoss stumbled over "unsurmountable obstacles", and President Sarkis asked him to reinstate his cabinet of technocrats. Commenting on Mr. Al Hoss' failure to form a new government, a political party leader said "Lebanon still has a long way to go before the wounds of the civil war are healed." President Sarkis told reporters: "We opted to reinstate the government of Premier Al Hoss, because it is the government that blueprinted reconstruction projects and prepared the draft budget." Mr. Al Hoss was the first premier to run state affairs after the 1975-76 civil war that claimed more than 37,000 lives and wrecked the economy. In a separate development, President Sarkis today received Brig. Mohammad Al Kholi, a Syrian special envoy. Well-informed sources said that Brig. Al Kholi called on President Sarkis as Syrian President Hafez Assad's envoy. No details were available on the subjects discussed during the meeting.

Sympathy for Moro shows up in results of local Italian polls

ROME, May 15 (Agencies). — The ruling Christian Democrats, whose President, Aldo Moro, was assassinated last week, gained substantially in first returns from local elections held today. The Communist Party, second largest after the Christian Democrats, lost in some towns, held firm in others and made some gains, according to the early partial returns. In Viterbo, north of Rome, the Christian Democrats gained 44.2 per cent of the vote compared to 39.4 in the general election of June 1976 while the Communists slipped from 39.6 per cent to 24.2 per cent. In the north Italian town of Pavia, the Christian Democrats share of the vote jumped from 33.5 to 38.4 per cent while the Communists dropped from 41.1 to 32.4 per cent. Main reason for the Christian Democrats' gains was the voter's sympathy for murdered former Premier Moro. The bullet-riddled body of the Christian Democratic Party president was dumped by its urban guerrilla kidnappers in central Rome last Tuesday. Both the Communists and the Christian Democrats, whose minority government the Communists formally back, have run their election campaigns on a tough anti-terrorist platform. Brigades hit again. Meanwhile, Moro's assassins the Red Brigades struck again today, seriously wounding an Italian businessman with a hail of gunfire, in Bologna. Police said three men and

Mubarak carries Sadat message to King Hussein

AMMAN, May 15 (JNA). — The Egyptian Vice President Mr. Husni Mubarak, arrived here this afternoon on a one-day official visit to Jordan to deliver a message to His Majesty King Hussein from President Anwar Sadat. Mr. Mubarak was received at the airport by Prime Minister Mudar Badran, President of the National Consultative Council Ahmad Al Lawad, Chief of the Royal Hashemite Court Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, cabinet members and top officials. President Sadat's message to the King, which was handed later in the evening, dealt with Arab relations, new developments on the Middle East problem and the international situation.

Begin rejects Sadat's call for pullout from W. Bank, Gaza as 1st step to peace

TEL AVIV, May 15 (AP). — Prime Minister Menachem Begin, has rejected a proposal by Egyptian President Anwar Sadat to turn over control of the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip to Egypt as a first step towards a Middle East peace. President Sadat's suggestion, in a New York Times interview, seemed designed to overcome Israeli objections to creating a Palestinian homeland and in these areas were 1.1 million Palestinians live. In a speech late on Saturday to European fund raisers, Premier Begin again insisted that Israel would not withdraw to "the aggression-provoking, bloodshed-causing" lines it held before the 1967 war. Without mentioning President Sadat by name, he said Israel was now being asked to pull back to its former boundaries without negotiations and without a peace treaty. An aide later confirmed Premier Begin was referring to the Sadat interview. "It is our duty, for the sake of our people and our children, we shall stand by the demands of security and by our peace plan," Premier Begin said. Urging President Sadat to resume direct peace talks, Premier Begin said, "terms of peace cannot be dictated to Israel. Terms must be negotiated with Israel." Yesterday Mr. Begin called his cabinet together for a routine meeting, but a discussion on undisclosed U.S. ideas breaking the Middle East deadlock was expected to be put off until Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan returns from a Scandinavian tour. In a related development, the cabinet supported Israel's new Chief of Staff, Lt. Gen. Rafael Eitan, over his controversial statement that the West Bank was "essential for Israel's security." Deputy Premier Yigael Yadin complained to the cabinet that Gen. Eitan had meddled in politics by telling Israel Television it would be impossible to defend Israel from its 1967 lines. The cabinet ruled that Gen. Eitan had not exceeded his authority, accepting Defence Minister Ezer Weizman's argument that Gen. Eitan had given a military opinion unrelated to the political side of the issue. Premier Begin also reported to the 19-man government on his week-long visit to the United States and on efforts to block the sale of U.S. jet fighters to Saudi Arabia. No details were released on his report. In a public opinion poll, published yesterday, the Haaretz newspaper said nearly half of 1,200 Israelis questioned opposed evacuating captured territory on the Egyptian, Syrian and Jordanian fronts. The poll indicated wide support for Premier Begin's policy in his internal political battle against the opposition Labour Party, which advocates "territorial concessions on all three fronts." No major party favours leaving all the territories completely. The poll, taken by the Public Opinion Research Institute, said 49.6 per cent were against giving up in all three areas, while 33.5 per cent favoured concessions. It said 4.6 per cent were prepared to withdraw if Israel had "strict security assurances", and 12.3 per cent had no opinion. U.S. Jews prefer pullout. Meanwhile, Israel Television reported yesterday that a Lou Harris poll showed that two-thirds of American Jews oppose Prime Minister Begin's policy on the occupied West Bank. The television said the poll was commissioned by an unidentified American Jew, described as a millionaire. Premier Begin has claimed that American Jewry is united behind his policy of refusing to withdraw from the West Bank. Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, an American-Jewish leader visiting Israel, said American Jews are unanimous on matters concerning Israel's existence, "but on matters of ideology, this unanimity does not exist." Indicating that he realised the severity of this admission in view of Mr. Begin's reliance on Jewish support, he said "I only say that in Israel and in Hebrew, in America we are all good soldiers of Israeli policy."

Eve-of-vote forecast: U.S. Senate will let planes deal go through

WASHINGTON, May 15 (Agencies). — The Senate today debated President Carter's controversial plan to sell warplanes to Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Israel amid forecasts that it would let the deals go through when it voted later in the day. The debate could last up to 8:20 p.m. (0120 GMT Tuesday). It followed a weekend of intensive lobbying by President Carter and opponents of the proposed deal, the most heavily criticised part of which has been the intended sale of 60 advanced F-15 fighters to Saudi Arabia.

Senate Democratic leader Robert Byrd of West Virginia told reporters he believed the Senate would reject a resolution disapproving of all three sales. Republican leader Howard Baker of Tennessee said he thought supporters of the sale had the votes to win but added: "I am not certain of that." In addition to the Saudi F-15s, the \$5 billion package sale consists of 50 F-5E fighters for Egypt and 15 F-15s and 75 F-16 fighter bombers for Israel. Under the law, Congress can veto the sale by a majority vote in both the Senate and the House of Representatives. If the Senate votes with the administration, action by the House would be unnecessary. No vote will be taken today before 5:00 p.m. (21:00 GMT) at the earliest. Mr. Carter backed up his lobbying with a public statement emphasising the need to support Saudi Arabia as a moderate force in the Middle East. In an attempt to placate the pro-Israel forces, Defence Secretary Harold Brown told the Senate last week that Saudi Arabia had agreed to base the sophisticated fighters well away from the Israeli border. The agreement was seen by critics as purely symbolic. Most of the Senate opponents to the sale, including New York Republican Jacob Javits, claim not to object to the arms sales to Arab countries as such. "The real questions are: Shall it be a package, is the timing right and are the numbers right," Mr. Javits said in a statement yesterday. "On all three points the Carter position is wrong in the U.S. national interest." King Khaled of Saudi Arabia has thanked President Carter and members of Congress for supporting the proposed sale of warplanes. In a letter released by the U.S. State Department here on Saturday, King Khaled said he wanted to "emphasise the planes are being acquired for defence," and added that Saudi Arabia "is continuing to make every effort in pursuit of a just, comprehensive and lasting settlement in the Middle East."

U.N. troops reportedly besiege 60 Palestinians

SIDON, South Lebanon, May 15 (R). — United Nations troops are besieging about 60 Palestinian commandos in the central sector of southern Lebanon, according to local residents. They said the commandos were believed to have infiltrated U.N. lines in two areas evacuated by the Israelis southeast of Tyre. The U.N. force is in Lebanon under a Security Council resolution which required Israel to withdraw after its invasion last March. The U.N. force command was negotiating with the Palestinian commando leadership to secure the peaceful withdrawal of the guerrillas, they said. The commandos who were encircled on Saturday night, have threatened to fire on anyone approaching them, according to the residents who also said the commandos had set up three new bases in the Tyre region. A Norwegian officer at a joint French-Norwegian roadblock on the road to Jway, east of Tyre, said the check-point had been set up in view of new security developments. He declined to answer questions on the siege. Meanwhile, a fresh contingent of 260 Nigerian troops flew into Beirut today to join others serving with the U.N. contingent in south Lebanon. In Tehran, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said today that Iran will recall its troops serving in the United Nations force in Lebanon if they become involved in the conflict there. Muhsen threatens Israel. In a separate development, Mr. Zuhair Muhsen, leader of the Palestine Liberation Organisation's military wing vowed in an interview published today in Beirut's magazine Monday Morning to continue attacks against Israel from south Lebanon, despite U.N. peace-keeping forces deployed along the border. "Although we remain committed to avoiding clashes with the U.N. forces, we will find a way to get past the wall they are trying to put up," Mr. Muhsen said. "We have promised not to shell the occupied areas from Lebanese territory, and we will honour that promise unless we are first shelled by the (Israeli) enemy," he said. "But we will continue to strike at the enemy inside occupied territory," he added.

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Menachem the myth-maker

A Louis Harris poll indicates that two-thirds of American Jews oppose Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin's hardline position on continuing the occupation of the West Bank. It is difficult these days to get in a rational word about the need for an Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank, what with the new Israeli chief of staff saying the territory is vital for Israel's security, and the Israeli Cabinet supporting that position in its weekly meeting.

The importance of the Harris poll is not to be overlooked, but neither should it lead to hasty expectations. Its real importance is as an indicator -- the latest of many -- that the vital link between Israel and the Jews of Europe and North America is not as inflexible as it has always been. That international connection has always been the strategic depth for Israel, as well as the dynamic cutting edge of its day-to-day political activity in such capitals as Washington, London and Paris. This is unusual in the context of international politics, where one's strategic and tactical instruments are more clearly separated into domestic and foreign branches. But it is not unusual in the context of a colonial outpost. Israel has always depended on the massive backing of Zionist forces in North America and Europe, and it does so today more than ever. Thus for cracks to start appearing in the facade of international Jewish unanimity behind the policies of Mr. Begin is something that should be most worrying to the Israeli government.

We feel that the process that has been underway for the past decade or so is an inevitable one, and can best be characterised as the acceptance of Israeli dogma as political mythology. A myth, by nature, will be recognised as such if it is touted for any period of time, and the myth of benign Zionist territorial conquests in Palestine is now being recognised increasingly for what it is -- a myth. This is one meaning of the Harris Poll, as it is one meaning of the universal international disappointment with Mr. Begin's idiotic home-rule proposals for the West Bank and Gaza. Mr. Begin will yell and scream about his desire for peace -- as he did in the United States last week -- but he will only further expose his true nature as a modern day conquistador, and he should wake up and recognise this from such evidence as this week's Harris poll.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Jordanian newspapers Monday commented on the anniversary of the creation of Israel, on May 15, 1948.

Recalling the bitter episode of the Arab-Israeli conflict over the past 30 years, the newspapers called upon the Arabs to note the lessons of the Palestine tragedy, consolidate their positions and build up their own strength to repulse the creeping Israeli aggression and save the occupied Arab lands.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Art Exhibit

An exhibition of works by Jordanian artist Ismail Hamdan will be on display at the S. V. Cultural Centre on Jabal Amman. The exhibition continues daily till May 21.

German Film

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Fun, games and lots of horseplay mark the Royal Riding Club's first event

By Ginette Devaney
Photos by Ted Devaney
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN. — On a bright Friday in May the members of the Royal Riding Club held their first organised event at the club grounds at Juewdaideh, not far from the television and radio station, on the road to Madaba.

Organised and run by the voluntary Manager of the club, Mrs. Marina Hamric, the day was divided into two parts. First, a simple cross country rally, about 1,500 metres long, in which competitors were asked to walk, trot and canter at various predetermined points, where stewards marked individual riders on their performance and the obedience of the horse. A small log was included on the outward leg of the course, which some of the riders found difficult to negotiate successfully. Marks were deducted for incorrect paces, failure to take the log jump and the overall time was taken into consideration. Thirteen horses took part, some of them being ridden twice, as there were more riders than horses, and this contest was won by Mrs. Elizabeth Martin riding her horse Tabar.

Then, after a barbeque lunch, provided and cooked by the members, an enjoyable afternoon was spent by everybody in the two gymkhana events -- games on horseback! In the first instance, competitors were asked by Mrs. Hamric to take off their boots which were then piled up some distance away from the line of waiting horses and riders. At the whistle, the dismounted competitors had to run to the pile, find and don their own boots, run back to the horse, gallop to a post at some distance from

on the game area, return, dismount, take the boots back to the pile and then remount.

As can be imagined, much amusement resulted, particularly from the search for and putting on of boots -- riding boots can be most difficult to manoeuvre quickly, sometimes needing both boot jacks and boot hooks to put on and take off successfully.

This event was won by Mrs. Jill Goddard riding her mare Fuddah.

The second event, a bending race, involved horse and rider weaving in and out of equally spaced white poles and then cantering through a finishing gate. Penalties were awarded for horses either knocking poles over or taking a wrong course. This sort of competition is a very good test of a horse's suppleness and obedience to the rider's aids or instructions, when done properly. This event was won by Mr. Ghattas Jordan riding Mrs. Hamric's horse Najl.

As this was a first attempt at competing, some riders (and horses too), did not know quite what to expect but everybody agreed that it was a very successful meeting, and the club hopes to be able to hold such events regularly -- at least once a month in the future.

With Crown Prince Hassan as its honorary president, the Royal Riding Club was previously based at the Royal Racing Club at Marka, but in the summer of 1976 they moved to their present grounds. The Royal Shooting Club and its president, His Highness Prince Mohammad, agreed to loan the land indefinitely to these horse-lovers who banded together to start the club.

With a membership of only 20 at the start, the club has grown to a group of about 50. There are 15 horses in the stable, two owned by the club and 13 by individual members. All the horses are looked after by 2 grooms under the direction of Mrs. Hamric. It costs JD 36 per month to keep a horse at the stables -- feed included.

Once the land was granted to the riding club, three stages in a grand design were planned and with the help and support of Sharif Fawwaz Sharaf, the Minister of Culture and Youth, who has generously given money for the project, and with additional donations from members themselves, stage one is now complete.

There is a stable block containing 20 loose boxes with room for a feed store and tack room. A hard standing has been put down in front of the block. Due to the high cost of land excavation and building

work, the second stage is still in its infancy. The idea is to have a 60m. long by 35 m. wide outdoor menage for shows, training classes and demonstrations.

The land chosen for this, lying opposite the stable block, was of a steep and rocky nature, so heavy machinery and blasting equipment had to be brought in. When complete, the menage will have a surface of soil, sand and sawdust, will be completely fenced in and will provide an ideal area for the improvement of both horses and riders. It is hoped that this stage will be completed in four to six weeks time.

Mr. Robert Srouji, Chairman of the Executive Committee, told the Jordan Times that, at the moment, not many young children are encouraged to become members because the club felt that a safe area for the training of novices was an absolute necessity for junior members. However, once the outdoor school is completed, it is expected that 50 per cent of the members will be youngsters -- many are hopefully waiting on the sidelines.

Stage three of the plan is for the building of a small rest house complex at the north west edge of the school where members and guests will be able to sit and watch the activities going on. The club hopes, with the continued help of Sharif Fawwaz, to raise JD 6,000 to build the resthouse and to bring the whole complex up to as high a standard as possible.

It was a great regret of club members that no official contribution to jubilee year could be made, but there will be an official opening of the



Mr. Robert Srouji, Chairman of the Executive Committee.



Although fighting its rider a little, this horse shows that he is a nice sort of animal -- well proportioned with a short back, together with a good depth of girth and heart room. A sloping shoulder with head set on well go to make a comfortable riding horse.

completed stable, school and resthouse premises.

Once the resthouse is open, with the space thus made available, the club hopes to open a small shop and to import, and make available at cost, such items as saddles, bridles, caps, jodhpurs, breeches and all the other accoutrements needed by both horses and riders.

A farrier from Marka visits the club once a month and horses needing shoes are shod 'cold'. The shoes are made by the farrier at his forge before he comes to the stables and fitted without the benefit of heat.

To join the Royal Riding Club, application should be made to the Manager, Mrs. Hamric, in the first instance.



Mrs. Marina Hamric, Manager of the club.



Mrs. Elizabeth Martin, winner of the cross country rally.

The English style of riding is taught by the club -- knees and thighs in contact with the horse, with hands low over the withers, just in front of the saddle, to give a light, even contact with the mouth. The horses are of mainly Arab bloodlines.

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Arab chambers of commerce eye settling up joint holding company in Amman

AMMAN, May 15. — The possibility of establishing a joint Arab holding company with its headquarters in Jordan will be an important topic for discussion at the current meeting of the general assembly of the General Union of Arab Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture.

Twenty businessmen from Jordan as well as five from the West Bank will be attending the meeting, which is being held in Jeddah from May 13 to 19.

Mr. Zuhair Asfour, Vice President of the Federation of Jordanian Chambers of Commerce, told the Jordan Times that the delegation would be taking to Jeddah legislation prepared by the government of Jordan to facilitate the setting up of the proposed company. Although it has not yet been finally decided, Mr. Asfour said that he felt Jordan was the favoured location for the company. If approved it could be operating within a year, he added.

National News Roundup...

NCC discuss government policy statement

AMMAN, May 15. — The National Consultative Council met today to discuss the government policy statement delivered to the council last Monday by Prime Minister Mudar Badran. The meeting was attended by cabinet members and Premier Badran, who clarified a number of points in the statement and showed appreciation for the members' cooperation and advice. At the close of the session the council issued a statement which supported, and called on other Arab states to support, the Jordanian initiative for solidarity among Arab nations and which welcomed the policy of the government in consulting with and seeking advice from the new National Consultative Council.

Establishment of Arab water council discussed

AMMAN, May 15 (JNA). — A two-day preliminary meeting began at the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) today to discuss the setting up of an Arab council to deal with problems of water supply in the Arab World. The meeting comes at the invitation of the Arab Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organisation (ALECSO), a specialised agency of the Arab League. The meeting is attended by representatives from 21 Arab and international organisations specialising in hydraulics in addition to the RSS, the Jordan and Yarmouk universities, the National Resources Authority and the National Planning Council.

Amman Stock Exchange Report

NAME OF COMPANY	Par value	Volume traded	Last buying offer	Last selling offer	Closing price
Jordan Petroleum Co.	JD 5.000	1,713	6,750	6,800	6,800
Jordan Cement Factories	JD 10.000	1,272	15,350	15,400	15,350
Jordan Phosphate Mines	JD 1.000	393	2,250	2,350	2,250
Housing Bank	JD 1.000	621	1,150	—	1,150
* Jordan - Kuwait Bank	JD 1.000	665	—	2,350	2,400
* Jordan - Gulf Bank	JD 1.000	2,625	1,300	1,350	1,250
* Dar Aldawa Development & Investment Co.	JD 1.000	535	1,750	1,800	1,750
General Mining Co.	JD 1.000	1,100	1,000	1,050	1,000
Jordan Electricity Co.	JD 1.000	57	1,300	1,400	1,400
Jordan Ceramic Industries	JD 1.000	440	—	1,100	1,100
Jordan Tobacco & Cigarette Co.	JD 5.000	675	—	—	7,500
Industrial, Commercial & Agricultural Co.	JD 1.000	74	—	2,500	2,400
Jordan Lime and Brick Industries Co.	JD 5.000	545	—	4,600	4,500
* Petra Bank	JD 10.000	375	12,200	13,000	12,500
Jordan Glass Factory	JD 1.000	50	—	0,950	0,950

Total volume traded, Monday, May 15 JD 11,140

Total number of shares traded	7,182
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* 50 per cent of share capital paid.
** 75 per cent of share capital paid.

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JORDAN TELEVISION

Channel 3 & 6:	8:30 Arabic programme
8:30 Quran	10:15 Arabic series
8:45 Cartoons	Channel 6:
8:50 Oregon Trail	7:30 News in Hebrew
7:30 Arabic programme	7:45 Varieties
8:00 News in Arabic	8:30 Comedy series
11:15 News in Arabic	9:10 Washington behind closed doors
Channel 3:	10:00 News in English
7:30 Arabic programme	10:15 Love Boat
7:45 Arabic series	

RADIO JORDAN

7:00	Sign-on	13:03	Pop Session
7:01	Morning Show	14:00	News Bulletin
7:30	News Bulletin	14:10	Music
7:40	Morning Show	14:30	French Music
		15:00	Concert Hour
10:00	News Headlines	16:40	Pop Session
10:02	Morning Show	17:00	Country Music
10:30	Faces and Places	17:30	Pop Session
11:00	Sign-off	18:00	News Summary
12:00	Sign-on and News Headlines	18:03	Play of the Week
		18:10	News Bulletin
12:30	Pop Session	18:20	News Reports
13:00	News Bulletin	18:30	Sign-off

EMERGENCIES

Doctors : Firas (23427)
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 Urdun (23050)
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 Fawzi (56216)
 Kuneil (36295)
 Mahatta (55433)
Irbid :
 Basha
Zarqa :
 Dalal
Taxis :
 Hama (41833)

BBC RADIO

0627	GAT	1540	Radio Newsweek
0630	News, 24 Hours	1545	News, Contemporary
0630	Sarah Ward	1600	News, Newsweek
0645	World Today	1815	High-Rise's Guide to the City
0650	Roundtable, Press Review		World Today
0650	The Singer in Person	1845	World Today
0700	News, 24 Hours	1750	News
0700	Sarah Ward	1755	News and Welfare
0745	Newsweek	1730	Talk One
0750	Newsweek	1745	Sport's Round-up
0800	Newsweek	1800	News about Britain
0815	Jobs and Danger		Radio Newsweek
0820	Brain of Britain	1815	Newsweek
0820	Newsweek Review	1820	Newsweek
0830	World Today		Outlook; News Summary
0830	Financial News		
0830	News, 24 Hours Request	1930	News, Morning Report
0835	Uttar in Focus	1855	Uttar in Focus
0840	Discovery	2000	News, 24 Hours
1150	News, News about Britain	2005	The Treasurer's Points
		2115	
1115	The Gums	2145	Nature Notebook
1120	News, Newsweek	2150	News, World Today
1200	Talking about Music	2225	Financial News
1215	Sport's Round-up	2235	Book, Clashes; Reflections
1230	News, 24 Hours	2245	Sport's Round-up
1230	The House of Windsor	2300	News, Contemporary
1230	Report on Religion	2305	News, Newsweek
1420	News, 24 Hours	2320	Victims and Wrongs
			Victims

VOICE OF AMERICA

GMT		ports, Actualities, Opinion, Analyses, News Summary
0630 to 0630	The Breakfast Show	
0630 to 0630	0430, 0440, 0500, and 0600 GMT: News Reports	1730 Debates
0630	Regatta, VOA Current News Summary, 0630, 0430 and 0530 GMT: An informal presentation of popular music with feature reports and interviews, answers to Roundup, Regatta, Roundup, Regatta	1800 Topics in English, News, Letters, 1830 Feature: Science in the News, News Summary, 1830 News, Music USA, 1830 News Roundup, Reports to Actualities, Opinion, Address, 1830 News Roundup, Science Digest Magazine, Actualities, VOA, Science, Cultural.

AMMAN AIRPORT

Arrivals:		21:50 Beirut
8:50 Cairo (RA)		01:30 Cairo
9:00 Bangkok, Bahrain, (R-I-GF)		Departures:
9:10 Baghdad (PIA)		8:40 Beirut, London (BA)
9:15 Ras El Khaima, Abu Dhabi (R-I-GF)		8:45 Beirut (GEEA)
11:10 Baghdad (PIA)		10:10 Frankfurt
12:30 Kuwait, Riyadh (SDI)		10:10 Baghdad (AIA)
12:50 Dhahran (KAC)		12:00 Riyadh, Damascus (SDI)
13:25 Karachi, Abu Dhabi (PIA)		12:00 Beirut (SDI)
13:30 New York		12:00 Geneva, Strasbourg, Amsterdam
13:40 London		13:30 Kuwait (KAC)
17:05 Istanbul (SDI)		14:35 Abu Dhabi, Karachi (PIA)
17:30 Madrid, Athens		18:25 Jeddah (SDI)
18:45 Copenhagen, Vienna		18:30 Damascus
18:45 Paris, Rome		19:00 Cairo
19:00 Amsterdam, Athens (KLG)		21:00 Abu Dhabi, Dubai (R-I-GF)
20:25 Frankfurt		22:00 Jeddah
21:00 Beirut (RA)		23:00 Dhahran
21:15 Damascus		23:55 Doha, Muscat

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Goethe Institute	41993
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Hays Arts Centre	65196
Russka Youth City	67181
T.W.C.A.	41793
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University of Jordan Library	65717
Citadel Museum	36191
Polish Museum	36191

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Radio, English Section	" 74124

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Al Sha's Art Gallery	228-227
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Argentine Cultural Centre	333-727
Bulgarian Cultural Centre	387-901
Czech Cultural Centre	333-594
French Democratic Republic Cultural Centre ...	332-452
Irish Cultural Centre	332-016
Liberté Theatre	114-854
National Museum	228-890
Soviet Cultural Centre	334-002
Spanish Cultural Centre	334-619
Prisma Art Gallery	
University Public Library	

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member of Commerce	"	118-339
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Pro-growth policies are cause of world's high unemployment, chronic inflation, shows research study

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP). — Chronic inflation and high unemployment that today plague much of the world are the result of pro-growth policies that are depleting the world's resources, a study by a head of a private research organization said yesterday.

"Global double-digit inflation is unique to the seventies, but the pressures leading up to it have been building for decades," Lester R. Brown, head of the Worldwatch Institute of Washington, said in the study.

Not only is cheap energy now in short supply, but forests, fish and farmlands also are being depleted at a rapid rate, he said. The problem will only get worse unless the world's nations stop their headlong rush toward rapid growth and take new steps to curb population growth.

If they don't slow their growth, the world will slow it for them, Mr. Brown said, under circumstances that will be more tragic and chaotic than if they do it in a planned and voluntary fashion.

"If fishermen don't start tak-

ing fewer fish from the oceans, there will be fewer fish in the oceans to catch," said Mr. Brown, who once coordinated U.S. Department of Agriculture technical assistance programmes in underdeveloped nations.

Prices of scarce resources are bound to continue to rise, and there probably is no alternative, he said. "In simplest terms, the new inflationary forces arise from the claims on the earth's resources of a continuously expanding global economy."

Mr. Brown said in his study, called *The Global Economic Prospect: New Sources of Economic Stress*, that most of the Middle East and North Africa and much of continental Asia, Central America and the Andean regions of South America are now virtually treeless.

He said in some countries, such as the United States, the cropland being lost exceeds the new land being brought under the plow. Returns on additional fertilizer use are beginning to fall off in those areas where its use has been

heaviest, he said.

The per acre yield of cereals in the United States in 1977 was below the yield of the early part of the decade, he added. "Most of the world's easy-to-irrigate sites have already been developed. Further expansion in irrigation inevitably involves heavy expenditures."

All economies are being affected by depleting resources, Mr. Brown said. The Soviet Union, for example, has had to substantially lower its own growth expectations in its latest five-year plan.

The huge Soviet purchase of U.S. wheat in 1972 that contributed to an upward spiral of wheat throughout the world shouldn't be seen as an isolated event, but as "a triggering event bringing the longer-term trends into focus," he said.

He said that while the world is not running out of energy, it is running out of oil and appears to be running out of cheap energy, and he urged concentration on solar energy development.

"A sustainable economic system is possible only if alternative energy sources are developed before world oil production turns downward and before economic disruptions occur," he said.

UNICEF funds social programmes for black guerrilla movements

UNITED NATIONS, May 15 (AP). — The U.N. Children's Fund is giving economic and humanitarian aid or social service training to four guerrilla movements directed against the governments of Rhodesia and South Africa and the South African administration of South-West Africa, its annual report shows. The report, placed before UNICEF's Executive Board at the start of a two-week annual session today, described the four as "liberation movements recognised by the Organisation of African Unity" and listed them as:

The Patriotic Front of Zimbabwe, also called Rhodesia; the South-West Africa People's Organisation, interested in the territory also called Namibia, and the Pan Africanist Congress and the African National Congress, rival black nationalist movements outlawed in South Africa. The report, issued by UNICEF Executive Director Henry R. Labouisse, said that in Tanzania last year, his agency, an integral part of the United Nations, "supported the health auxiliaries" belonging to all four movements.

It said that a first group of 30 medical auxiliaries completed a crash course in April 1977, and five more groups are being similarly trained for a target of 18, within three years. "Twenty-five medical assistants and six technical auxiliaries are also being trained in a longer course of three years' duration. Plans were in progress to establish a maternal and child care center attached to this training institution, for which UNICEF offered to provide the construction cost and equipments it said.

The report did not say how much UNICEF spent in Tanzania. But it said that in Zambia, the agency spent \$132,000 last year through the Patriotic Front and SWAPO.

International Year of the Child

UNICEF is asking its executive board to approve a \$1.4 billion, five-year programme of aid to children to follow up the International Year of the Child, 1979. Mr. Labouisse outlined the plan in his annual report and asked the 32-nation board to approve it. Labouisse noted that the objective of the International Year of the Child, proclaimed by the U.N. General Assembly in 1976, was to get governments to commit themselves to long-term measures to better the lot of children in their countries.

He said about 30 industrialised nations and more than 80 developing countries were planning to observe the year, and UNICEF should give them advice and help in attaining its objective. Calculating that inflation would shrink the buying power of the \$1.4 billion to \$1.2 billion, Labouisse called for the expenditure in developing areas of these amounts:

— \$500 million to reduce from 400 million to 350 million the number of children under seven without access to health services. \$250 million to cut from 320 million to 285 million the number of children without access to safe drinking water, \$250 million to improve primary education.

LONDON MARKET REPORT

Government bonds held gains of up to one point Monday and equity leaders tended to rally in quiet after hours trading following the April trade figures, which were line with the highest forecasts, dealers said.

Government bonds were marked up by up to 1/4 point after the trade figures, but quickly lost this gain at 15:00 the F.T. index was down 4.5 at 483.8.

Gold shares were dull but Australian and U.S. stocks firmed.

Price of gold closed in London Monday at \$175.25/oz.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Chicago Cubs break tie in 15th inning, go on to victory over L. A. Dodgers in five-hour marathon

NEW YORK, May 15 (AP). — Dave Kingman hit three home runs, his third breaking a 7-7 tie in the 15th inning, and knocked in eight runs to lead the Chicago Cubs to a 10-7 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers Sunday.

Kingman's first homer, in the sixth inning, was a two-run shot off Los Angeles starter Doug Rau. His second homer, a 430-foot blast, came with two outs in the top of the ninth to dramatically tie the game after the Dodgers had scored twice in the bottom of the eighth.

In the Chicago 15th, Mick Kelleher singled with one out and Steve Ontiveros walked. After Bill Buckner forced Ontiveros, Kingman connected. The big left fielder has four home runs in his last eight at-bats and seven for the season.

Each club used 21 players in the marathon game, which lasted a little more than five hours. Reggie Smith broke a 5-5 tie with a two-run double in the bottom of the eighth for the Dodgers.

Elsewhere in the National League, home runs by Mike Schmidt, Richie Hebner and Greg Luzinski carried the Philadelphia Phillies to a 7-4 victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

Rookie right-hander Don Robinson hurled a four-hitter to pitch the Pittsburgh Pirates to a 1-0 decision over the San Diego Padres. Dick Ruthven scattered eight hits and the Atlanta Braves scored the go-ahead run in the seventh inning on Rod Gilbreath's double to beat the Montreal Expos 2-1.

Terry Whitfield's two-out homer in the bottom of the 12th inning led the San Francisco Giants to a 5-4 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals in the first game of a doubleheader. The Giants won the second game 4-3 as Hitfield doubled in the 10th and came home on a single by Marc Hill.

A doubleheader between Houston and New York was postponed because of rain. In the American League, Amos Otis slammed a double after failing to sacrifice in the ninth inning, scoring Clint Hurdle and giving the Kansas City Royals a wild 10-9 victory over the New York Yankees.

Boston's Fred Lynn hit a three-run homer and Dennis Eckersley won his third consecutive game as the red-hot Red Sox topped the Minnesota

twins 6-2 for their 10th victory in 11 games.

Bob Sykes fired his second consecutive four-hit shutout while Jason Thompson, Lou Whitaker and Ron Leflore drove in three runs apiece as the Detroit Tigers blasted the Oakland A's 15-0 with a 20-hit attack.

California scored three runs on just one hit in the eighth inning — Tony Solaita's two-run pinch single — and Frank Tanana won his sixth game to lead the Angels to a 4-3 victory over the Cleveland Indians.

The Seattle-Toronto game was postponed because of rain.

Major league baseball results and standings after Sunday's games:

NATIONAL LEAGUE:

EAST:	W	L	PCT.	GB
Philadelphia	17	11	.607	—
Montreal	17	14	.548	1 1/2
Chicago	16	15	.516	2 1/2
Pittsburgh	14	16	.467	4 1/2
St. Louis	14	19	.424	5 1/2
New York	14	20	.412	6
WEST:				
San Francisco	20	12	.625	—
Cincinnati	19	14	.576	1 1/2
Los Angeles	18	14	.563	2 1/2
Houston	13	16	.448	5 1/2
San Diego	13	18	.419	6 1/2
Atlanta	12	18	.400	7

Sunday's games: Philadelphia 7, Cincinnati 4; Atlanta 2, Montreal 1; San Francisco 5-4, St. Louis 4-3; First game, 12 innings, second game, 10 innings; Pittsburgh 1, San Diego 0; Chicago 10, Los Angeles 7, 15 innings; Houston at New York, postponed, rain.

AMERICAN LEAGUE:

EAST:	W	L	PCT.	GB
Boston	22	11	.667	—
Detroit	18	9	.667	1
New York	17	12	.586	3
Cleveland	14	15	.483	6
Milwaukee	14	16	.467	6 1/2
Baltimore	13	17	.433	7 1/2
Toronto	11	19	.367	9 1/2
WEST:				
Oakland	21	10	.677	—
California	19	11	.633	1 1/2
Kansas City	17	13	.567	3 1/2
Texas	14	14	.500	5 1/2
Seattle	12	23	.343	11
Chicago	9	18	.333	10
Minnesota	10	23	.303	12

Sunday's games: Detroit 15, Oakland 0; California 4, Cleveland 3; Milwaukee 5, Chicago 4; Boston 6, Minnesota 2; Kansas City 10, New York 9; Baltimore 3, Texas 2; Seattle at Toronto, postponed, rain.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON, (R). — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies against the dollar at the close of interbank trading on the London foreign exchange market last night. Tourist rates will differ from those quoted below.

One sterling	1.8206/11	U.S. dollars
One dollar	2.1190/1200	West German marks
	2.2640/40	Dutch guilders
	1.9895/9915	Swiss francs
	32.97/33.00	Belgian francs
	4.6725/75	French francs
	872.05/35	Italian lire
	226.10/25	Japanese yen
	4.6500/6600	Swedish crowns
	5.7250/7350	Danish crowns

Citibank sells most of Iranian bank holding

TEHRAN, Iran May 15 (AP). — Citibank today sold 30 per cent of its 35 per cent holdings in the Iranians' Bank, a spokesman for the New York bank announced.

Ata Salmanpour, president of the Iranians' Bank, said Citibank's holdings were bought by Iranians' Bank employees as part of an employee participation programme.

He also said the decision to sell was consistent with Citibank's general policy to have either management control or a substantial majority position in its joint ventures.

Salmanpour said Iranian law does not permit either of the two positions, so Citibank began negotiations a year ago to reduce its holdings.

Other firms continuing joint operations here include the Iran-Japan Bank (Bank of Tokyo), Iran-Holland and Iran-British banks.

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TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) You are magnetic and can gain the favors from others that you desire. Indulge only in pleasures that are not too expensive. Stay within your budget and all is fine.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Take care of minor problems at home wisely and they are soon behind you. Don't be a smart aleck and irk a bigwig, whether in business or at home. Take no risks where health is concerned.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Contact closest friends and come to a better understanding with them. Handle all correspondence, reports intelligently. Get information you need to carry on more efficiently.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Study your present monetary position and make needed changes. A good adviser will be most helpful if you show your best qualities.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Study your appearance and interests and see where to make needed changes. Take any health treatments you may need. Be at your best with everyone.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Find more efficient ways to take care of chores that waste so much of your time. Steer clear of a trouble maker who does nothing but aggravate you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Get an early start on an important project and make real progress with it. Gain the cooperation of good pals for some personal aims you have.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) A good time to handle important matters since your thinking is clear. Talk over with a bigwig how best to commercialize on your talents.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Get the data you need at the right sources and then use it wisely. Plan that trip you want to take early in the day. You can make fine new contacts later in the day.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Handle obligations well and gain goodwill that is so important in business. Show others how truly devoted you are and have fine rapport. Be careful in the handling of money.

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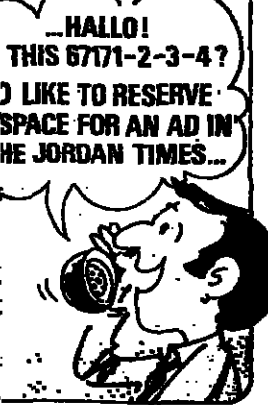
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Moslem refugee influx causes Bangladesh humanitarian problems, a rift with Burma

By Atiqul Alam

DACCA, (R). — An influx of about 100,000 Moslem refugees in less than a month is posing vast humanitarian problems for impoverished Bangladesh and causing a rift in its relations with neighbouring Burma.

The Bangladesh government has already called for the repatriation of the refugees who have fled across the border, claiming the Burmese army drove them from their homes at gunpoint.

"If this flow continues, it will be absurd to think that our relations with Burma are still friendly and normal," an official spokesman said here.

Conflicting stories

The Burmese government Thursday denied charges by refugees that its army was waging a campaign of terror against the Moslem minority.

A series of articles in gov-

ernment-owned newspapers said Moslems had lived happily with Burma's mainly Buddhist population for years and had enjoyed absolute freedom of worship.

Earlier the official Burmese News Agency said some 20,000 Bengalis had left Burma because they lacked proper entry and registration papers.

But the refugees gave a totally different picture and some of them produced their national registration cards to back claims to Burmese nationality.

They have alleged a concerted campaign against the Moslem community in the north-western province of Arakan, bordering the Chittagong district of Bangladesh and have accused Burmese troops of rape, torture and robbery.

According to officials here, some of the Moslems have crossed the border with bullet wounds in recent days.

The refugees now live in more than 300 camps put up

along the border by the Bangladesh Red Cross. Food and other facilities are provided by the government.

No outbreak of diseases have so far been reported in the camps. But the arrival of the monsoon in the next two months could alter the situation in the remote southeastern tip of the country where natural disasters occur regularly.

Bangladesh Foreign Secretary Tobarak Hossain said after a recent tour of the frontier. "We certainly need international help to keep these people alive."

With over 75 million people and serious economic woes of its own Bangladesh is hardly in a position to support a relief operation of this size which could cost up to \$1 million a month, according to officials.

There has so far been no detailed explanation for the sudden exodus from predominantly-Buddhist Burma, though some of the refugees have

spoken of a Burmese campaign against the growing economic power of the Moslems in Arakan, a jungle-clad province separated from the rest of Burma by massive mountain ranges.

Suspected rebellion

But according to some observers here, the Burmese government suspected the Moslems of supporting communist rebel groups fighting against the government of President Ne Win.

Some of the rebel groups are known to be demanding autonomy for Arakan, a coastal strip on the bay of Bengal.

Separatist and racist groups the people in the area, according to officials, have often tried to exploit the rift to informed sources in Rangoon.

Most of the Moslems who have arrived in Bangladesh claim to belong to three dis-

tinct groups, none of them ethnic Burmese.

The largest group, known as the Rohingyas, claim to be descended from Arabs who settled on the fertile land along the Naf River.

This cuts across the border of Bangladesh and Burma.

Another Moslem sect, the Kamanchi, say their forebears came to Burma at the turn of the 18th century and settled in Arakan, mainly as traders.

The other important group is made up of Bengali farmers and fishermen who have migrated across the border over several decades.

The Moslems, most of whom settled around the township of Buthidaung, speak a variety of regional dialects and some older people also speak Arabic or Urdu. According to Bangladesh estimates there are 600,000 Moslems in the area.

Because of religious affinity with the Bengali state the

Moslems developed close ties with Bangladesh or East Pakistan as it was known before the breakup of Pakistan in 1971.

The border problem goes back to 1942 when some Moslems are said to have fled from Burma following communal riots. But the issue never came in the way of good relations between the two neighbours.

It was taken up by Bangladesh for the first time in 1975 following the arrival of some 3,500 people across the border and President Ziaur Rahman mentioned it to Burmese leaders when he visited.

The two governments agreed then to look into the problem and Burmese Foreign Minister, Briedader-General Myint Maung, discussed the issue in detail during a recent visit here.

But, according to informed sources, little progress was made at the talks.

World search is planned for potential uranium resources

By Peter Lang

VIENNA, (WFS) — World-wide exploration for uranium is at a record level, with customers moving to assure long-term supplies.

In addition, there are plans for a programme to evaluate the world's uranium potential by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and the industrial countries of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

The need for assured, long-term supplies is emphasised by the projected increase in requirements over the next quarter century: demand for natural uranium in 1977 was 23,000 tons, but this is expected by the IAEA here to be within the range of 102,000-158,000 tons by 1990, and within the range of 178,000-338,000 tons by the end of the century.

Present suppliers

Currently, most of the world's uranium (apart from Soviet and Chinese requirements) comes from the United States, South Africa, Canada and Australia, where the gov-

ernment decided last year to press ahead with the development of its massive potential uranium resources despite political opposition.

What is possibly one of the world's largest discoveries was made near Darwin, northern Australia, earlier this year, and Australia is generally thought to have about 20 per cent of world reserves outside the Communist countries.

Generally, the IAEA says, exploration is at a high level, and 1977 is likely to have been a record year. The surge in activity began in 1973, as consumers moved actively to acquire long-term supplies to meet growing nuclear power programmes, particularly in the industrialised Western countries. One of the few countries where exploration declined during the mid-1970's was Australia, because of the political uncertainty, but now that the decision to go ahead has been taken, exploration is likely to be stepped up considerably, with funds possible as the new discovery shows.

North America spends most on exploration, while other major programmes are taking place in Brazil, France, Iran, Italy, South Africa and Spain.

A worldwide assessment of potential uranium resources is expected to reveal unexpected bounty in many developing countries, as the long-term need for assured supplies becomes more pressing.

Major programmes beyond national borders have been financed by France, West Germany, Japan and the United States.

Unexplored areas

Many of the unexplored areas are in developing countries, although some reasonably-assured reserves have already been confirmed in such areas, notably in India, Gabon, Niger, Somalia, Algeria and the Argentine. The decision by the IAEA and the OECD for a worldwide assessment of potential uranium resources makes it likely that more reserves in developing countries could be discovered.

The IAEA puts the world total of what it calls reasonably-assured resources at 2.2 million tons, with a further 2.1 million tons as estimated additional resources, at January 1, 1977, and points out that political limitations will

be very important in determining what is actually available.

World prices for uranium for near-term delivery have responded to market factors and cost increases (labour and fuel costs in mining have risen sharply, for example) by tripling between 1974-77 and further rises are expected.

Estimated production

Estimated production in 1977 was 11,200 tons in the United States, 6,700 in South Africa, 6,100 in Canada, 2,200 in France, 1,600 in Niger. Australia's production (400 tons), having been held back by political considerations, is now expected to rise sharply to 20,000 tons by 1990. By that date, Canada's production is expected to be more than 11,000 tons, France 4,000, South Africa 12,000 and the United States 47,000. Niger's production will have

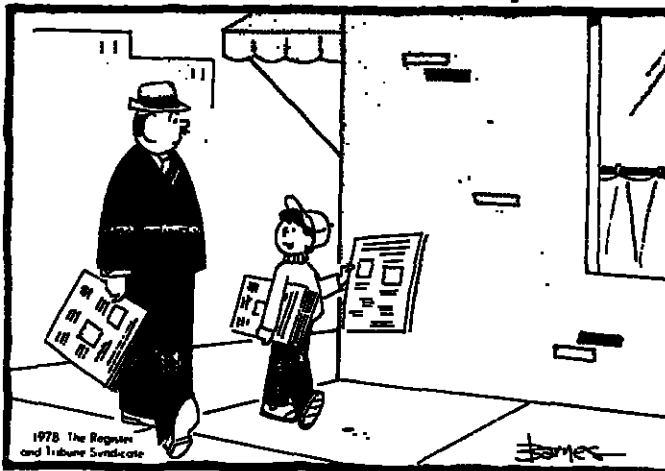
rised to 9,000 tons, while countries such as the Central African Empire and Gabon will have joined the group of bigger producers.

In the long-term, it is seen as urgent that uranium reserves be identified, even though the rate of nuclear power development is likely to be held back by a variety of pressures, including political and environmental considerations, while another factor may be the increasing use of fast reactors which "breed" their own fuel, in ideally, a self-

sustaining cycle.

Looking to the future, the depletion of fossil fuels is likely to lead to deposits of uranium which are at present considered too expensive to mine becoming acceptably-priced as the need for them increases. This also applies to the development -- albeit at great cost -- of technology to harvest uranium from the sea. There is said to be one gram of uranium to every 300 tons of sea water, meaning that there are billions of tons of uranium in the sea.

THE BETTER HALF. By Barnes



GOORED BRIDGE

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East-West vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ QJ7652
♥ 52
♦ K8
♣ J65

WEST **EAST**
♠ 8 ♠ 4
♥ KQ74 ♥ 986
♦ 965 ♦ AKQ743
♣ 108432 ♣ AKQ7

SOUTH
♠ AK1093
♥ AJ103
♦ J102
♣ 9

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Dble.
3 ♠ Pass 4 ♠ Pass
Pass Pass
Opening lead: King of ♥.

Dear Omar:
I agree with you completely. Somehow or other, the little swindler you manage to pull off give you more pleasure than many of the really fine plays you come up with over the years. As an example, I am particularly fond of this hand, which helped Helen Sobel and me to win the Life Master Pairs for the Von Zedtwitz Gold Cup back in 1958.

My bid of three spades was designed more in the hope of keeping the opponents out of the auction than of getting to game, but

Helen was never one to linger in a part score if she could see any chance for game. In a way, her decision was right, for the opponents could make ten tricks in a minor-suit contract.

West led the king of hearts and East followed with the six. I was not unhappy with the contract, for we seemed sure of a reasonable score for making nine tricks. The chances for ten were not bright, since East surely held the ace-queen of diamonds for his double once West showed up with the king-queen of hearts.

However, I did not despair. The spots in the hearts suit were significant. I won the ace of hearts, drew trumps in one round and now led a sneaky three of hearts! West saw no reason to squander his queen on a lowly five, so he played low. As I hoped, East was forced to win this trick, and the contract could no longer be defeated.

East cashed the king of clubs and continued with the queen. I ruffed and led the jack of hearts, ruffing in dummy when West covered. I returned to my hand with a club ruff, discarded a diamond from dummy on the ten of hearts, and graciously conceded a diamond trick to the opponents and claimed my contract.

Sincerely,
Charlie

